

DES MOINES - The Mount Mercy men's basketball team took out its recent frustrations on Grand View Thursday night.

The Mustangs smashed the Vikings, 98-70, in a Heart of America Conference game in Des Moines to end a string of tough defeats.

Bailey Basala canned five 3-pointers and scored 20 points as Mount Mercy raised its records to 10-11 overall and 5-10 in the conference. Dennis McKinney scored 17 points, RoyShawn Webb 14 and Julian Hehmann 10.

The Mustangs raced to a 54-28 lead at halftime and cruised from there. Mount Mercy shot 57.4 percent from the floor, compared to 35.2 percent for the Vikings.

Drew Johnson scored 13 points for Grand View (6-15, 4-12).

MOUNT MERCY (98): Bailey Basala 7-10 1-1 20, Dennis McKinney 7-12 2-2 17, RoyShawn Webb 7-8 0-0 14, Davion Watson 2-4 3-4 8, Streeter McIlravy 3-7 0-0 8, Julian Hehmann 5-6 0-0 10, Davarea Loggins 2-6 0-0 6, Tyler Kelley 2-3 0-0 5, DJ Johnson 2-4 0-0 4, Nolan Ruff 1-2 0-0 2, Christian Reischauer 1-3 0-0 2, Barry Doe 0-3 2-2 2. Totals 39-68 8-9 98.

GRAND VIEW (70): Drew Johnson 5-14 1-2 14, Dallas Meinders 2-4 1-2 6, Landon Rash 2-7 0-0 6, Ludvig Saldh 2-6 0-0 5, Josh Streeter 1-5 1-2 3, Ryan Miller 5-12 2-2 13, Nana Kodom-Ayensu 4-7 1-4 9, Riley McCoy 1-6 3-4 5, Eli Davy 1-3 1-2 3, Connor Sonius 1-1 0-0 2, Jack Trudo 0-3 2-2 2, Kyle Haynes 1-2 0-0 2, Ernest Docker 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 25-71 12-20 70.

Halftime - Mount Mercy 54, Grand View 28. 3-point goals - Mount Mercy 12-28 (Basala 5-7, McKinney 1-3, Webb 0-1, Watson 1-2, McIlravy 2-5, Loggins 2-4, Kelley 1-1, Johnson 0-1, Ruff 0-1, Reischauer 0-1, Doe 0-2), Grand View 8-29 (Johnson 3-8, Meinders 1-1, Rash 2-5, Saldh

1-4, Streeter 0-2, Miller 1-3, McCoy 0-2, Trudo 0-2, Haynes 0-1, Docker 0-1).